# INTERVIEW SUMMARY Task Order 0001 Site 2 Lower Darby Creek Area

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Name: Richard Morrisey ("WITNESS")

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**Affiliation:** Former Employee and Truck Driver for Ed Lawrenson, Inc.

Telephone: (b)(6)

Type of Interview: In-Person

Date of Interview: December 19, 2005

On December 19, 2005, the WITNESS was interviewed at his business at Jerry's Corner Flea Market located at 3421 Passyunk Avenue in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania by Senior Investigator, of Tri-State Enterprise. The WITNESS was interviewed as part of the Potentially Responsible Party search currently being conducted under Task 0001 Site 2 at the Lower Darby Creek Area Site in Delaware County, Pennsylvania (the "Site.") This interview focused on the Clearview Landfill. The WITNESS was provided with a copy of the letter of introduction, advised of the nature of the questions to be asked and that the interview was voluntary. The WITNESS stated that he is not represented by an attorney in this manner and did not want an attorney present. The interview was not tape-recorded.

During the course of this interview, the WITNESS responded to questions based on guidelines provided by the United States Environmental Protection Agency for former employees.

The WITNESS was shown an aerial photograph of the Site. This aerial photograph was used as a reference throughout the interview. The aerial photograph used during this interview will be forwarded under separate cover.

The WITNESS was asked to explain his association with Ed Lawrenson, Inc. (ELI) and the Clearview Landfill. The WITNESS stated that he worked for ELI as a trash truck driver from 1968 to 1992. The WITNESS stated that ELI merged with Eastern Industrial in approximately 1992. The WITNESS stated that he quit when this merger occurred.

The WITNESS stated that he knew the Clearview Landfill by the name "Heller's Dump". The WITNESS stated that he disposed of waste at the Clearview Landfill from 1968 to approximately 1975. The WITNESS stated that the Clearview Landfill closed in approximately 1975.

The WITNESS stated that ELI operated approximately five to nine compactor trucks and one roll-off truck. The WITNESS stated that when he was first employed by ELI, there were approximately three trucks in operation. The WITNESS stated that ELI grew to approximately nine compactor trucks and one roll-off truck by 1975.

The WITNESS was asked to identify the locations from which he picked up waste and disposed of at the Clearview Landfill.

The WITNESS stated that he drove a compactor truck and his route was center city Philadelphia, primarily Chinatown. The WITNESS stated that he picked up waste from all of the restaurants and stores in Chinatown, and disposed of the waste at the Clearview Landfill.

When asked to identify specific names of locations in Chinatown, the WITNESS stated that he could not recall. He knew his stops by address, not the name of the store or restaurant. However, he could not recall the addresses of his stops.

The WITNESS stated that he recalls the following specific locations from which he picked up waste and disposed of it at the Clearview Landfill:

- The Old Philadelphia Convention Center: The WITNESS stated that the old Philadelphia Convention Center was located on 34<sup>th</sup> Street in Philadelphia. The WITNESS stated that ELI had numerous three-cubic yard containers at this location. The WITNESS described the waste as glass and paper. He was unable to recall any other types of waste.
- Clothing Manufacturer: The WITNESS stated that he picked up waste at a clothing manufacturer located at 19<sup>th</sup> Street and Allegheny Avenue in Philadelphia. The WITNESS could not recall the name of this clothing manufacturer, and he was unable to describe the types of waste.

The WITNESS stated that he was unable to recall any other locations from which he picked up waste which was transported to the Clearview Landfill.

When asked the names of other ELI truck drivers that disposed of waste at the Clearview Landfill, the WITNESS provided the following:

- Johnny Williams.

The WITNESS stated that he could not recall the names of any other drivers who were employed by ELI during the time period the Clearview Landfill was in use.

When asked the names of other waste haulers who disposed of waste at the Clearview Landfill, the WITNESS provided the following:

- Ray Lawrenson: The WITNESS stated that Ray Lawrenson operated one compactor truck. The WITNESS did not know what types of waste Ray Lawrenson disposed of at the Clearview Landfill.
- Ace Hauling: The WITNESS was unable to provide any further information about Ace Hauling.

- 20<sup>th</sup> Century Hauling: The WITNESS stated that 20<sup>th</sup> Century Hauling operated numerous roll-off trucks. The WITNESS stated that he does not know the types of waste disposed of at the Clearview Landfill by this company.

The WITNESS stated that numerous other waste haulers disposed of waste at the Clearview Landfill, but he could not recall additional names.

When asked the names of any employees that worked at the Clearview Landfill, the WITNESS stated that he could not recall.

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"I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct."		
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## Interviewer's Comments and Suggested Follow-Up Interviews

Interviewer Comments: The WITNESS was cooperative. However, he was not forthcoming.

The WITNESS is very difficult to understand due to a speech problem. His lack of candor may be because of his difficulty speaking.

When asked if he wanted his name kept confidential to the extent possible, the WITNESS stated "yes."

#### Suggested Follow-Up Interviews:

- Johnny Williams.